

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-08

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FM AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7940  
INFO AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ENRG, TC  
SUBJECT: OMANI GAS REPORTEDLY TO BE SOLD TO DUBAI

1. (BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED) EMIRATES NEWS OF MAY 22 CARRIED SHORT STORY  
THAT OMAN HAS AGREED TO SUPPLY DUBAI WITH "LARGE QUANTITIES OF NATURAL

GAS FROM THE OMANI OIL FIELDS." STORY ASSERTS THAT TRANSPORTATION OF  
GAS WILL BEGIN FROM END OF NEXT YEAR.

2. (BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) DUBAI SOURCES TELL US THAT MOHAMMAD  
BIN RASHID, SON OF THE RULER OF DUBAI AND UAE MINISTER OF DEFENSE,  
AGREED IN PRINCIPLE WITH THE OMANI MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, SAID AHMED  
SHANFARI, ON SALE OF NEWLY-FOUND GAS TO DUBAI. THE FIND IS REPORTED  
IN THE QUINTANA-GULF CONCESSION NOT FAR FROM THE ABU DHABI BORDER  
SOUTH OF BURAIMI. PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES OF THE GAS YEILD RANGE  
BETWEEN 30 MILLION CUBIC FEET AND 130 MILLION CUBIC FEET PER DAY.  
THE GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI NEEDS MORE GAS TO FUEL PROJECTS FOR INDUSTRIA  
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DEVELOPMENT AT JEBEL ALI AND CAN BE EXPECTED TO BE VERY INTERESTED IN  
GAS FROM OMAN. THE LOCATION OF THE GAS MEANS THAT THE MOST DIRECT  
PIPELINE ROUTE WOULD CROSS ABU DHABI TERRITORY, ALTHOUGH WITH  
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SOME DETOUR THE PIPELINE COULD TRAVERSE ONLY OMANI  
AND DUBAIAN TERRITORY.  
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